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SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1902.

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THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Ven 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 8,510,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies.

TOKIO. KOBE.
NAGASAKI. LONDON.
LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.
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PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.
PARR'S BANK, LTD.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.
HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

" TARO" HIDSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1902. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—
Sterling Reserve \$10,000,000
Silver Reserve \$4,250,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPORTION \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
R. SHEWAN, Esq., Chairman.
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Hongkong—Sir THOMAS JACKSON,
MANAGER:
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1902. [13]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted

by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be

obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER

CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option

balances of £1 or more to the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED

DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1900. [14]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000

Paid up Capital \$34,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors—

Chan Kit Shan, Esq. C. Ewens, Esq.

Chow Tung Shing, Esq. J. T. Lauts, Esq.

Chief Manager.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%

Hongkong, 20th December, 1899. [15]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Taels 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow,

Tientsin, Tsingtau (Kiautschou).

LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,

UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY

DIREKTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be

learned on application. Every description of

Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. SCHOTTLAENDER,

Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1901. [16]

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS AND SAILMAKERS.

DECK and ENGINE STORES of every description, of the best quality and at most reasonable rates.
Hubbuck's Paints and Oils, Hubbuck's Turpentine.
Sir Chas. Price's Compound Engine Oil.
Orane's Cylinder Oil.
"Glenfield" Boiler Fluid, "Zyukara" Boiler Fluid.
American "Valve-line."
Soapstone for Tepidaria, &c., &c., Boot-topping in two shades.
Baxters All long flax Canvas (the best in the market).
Gowcock All long flax Canvas and Grass Bleached Canvas.
Woodberry Canvas and Duck.
Ships' Upholstery a specialty, attended to by experienced European Assistants. Any kind of work undertaken at the shortest notice.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Queen's Head and Praya Central.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1902. [17]

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF
NEW YORK.

(AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

U.S. Gold.

PAID UP CAPITAL \$2,000,000
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$4,750,000

TOTAL \$6,750,000

Head Office: NEW YORK.

Directors:

Samuel D. Babcock, Adrian Iselin Jr.
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Charles R. Henderson, F. W. Vanderbilt
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Vice President, Vice President.
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Treasurer, Secretary.
F. C. Harriman, R. C. Newton,
Assistant Treasurer, Trust Officer.

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Arthur John Fraser, Chairman.

Donald C. Haldeman, Honorable Levi P. Morton.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.

R. C. Wyse, Manager.

London Bankers:

PARK'S BANK, LIMITED.

Hongkong Office:
4, DES VIEUX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business
transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts at 2 per cent.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months, 2½ per annum.

" 6 " 3½ ".

" 12 " 4 ".

" 18 " 5 ".

N. G. EVANS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1902. [18]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 14TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Thael.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:

CANTON, PEKING.

CHEFOO, PENANG.

CHINKIANG, SINGAPORE.

CHUNKING, TIENTSIN.

HANKOW.

The Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities.

Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

1½ per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

½ " 6 ".

½ " 12 ".

½ " 18 ".

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1901. [19]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE
HOLDER \$800,000

RESERVE FUND \$575,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

In Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

" 6 " 3½ ".

" 12 " 2½ ".

" 18 " 3 ".

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 9th July, 1901. [20]

THE BEST VALUE ON THE
MARKET.

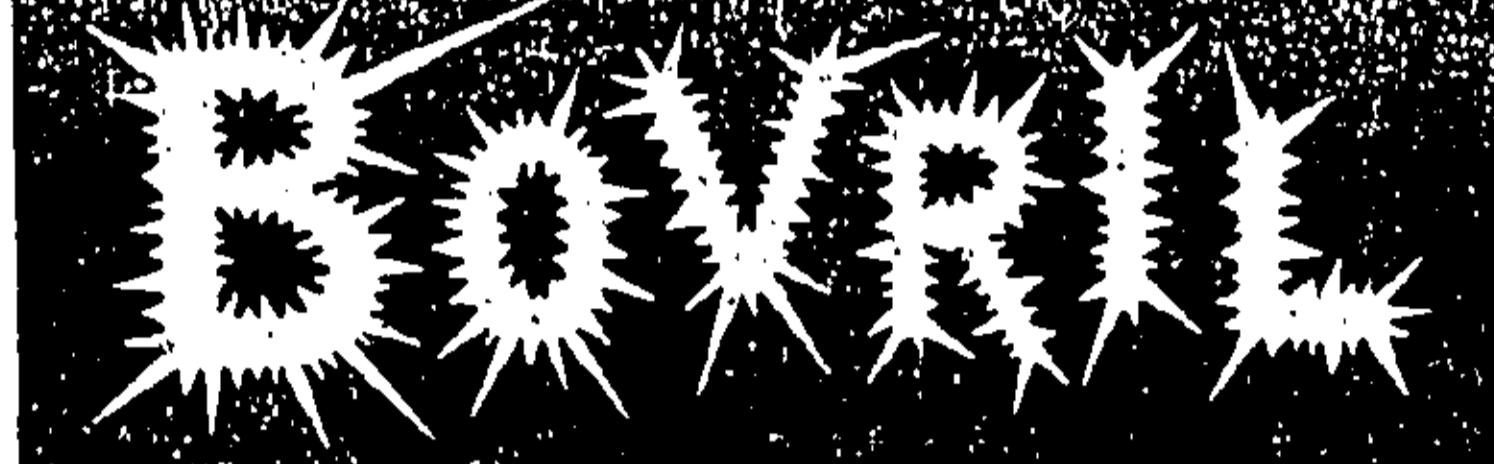
Intimations.

BOVRIL ISN'T DEAR,

in fact, value for value, it is one of the cheapest drinks and one of the most economical foods that can be obtained. A cup of hot Bovril costs less than a drink of whisky, and while giving a more genuine and lasting warmth than the latter, contains, in addition, the nutritive principles of beef worth many times its cost.

Old fashioned beef teas and meat extracts, whether known as such, or disguised under more pretentious modern names contain none of the NUTRITIVE properties of beef. Baron Liebig himself admitted this fact; there is not a doctor to-day disputes it. Used as a nourishment Meat Extract is probably the most expensive article one can buy. Bovril one of the cheapest.

The reason is not far to seek. Bovril is a nourisher as well as a stimulant. It contains the albumen and fibrine, the sustaining properties of the beef. It is this fact, together with its absolute purity, that commands Bovril to physicians and scientists, and proves in practice what it demonstrates in analysis.



UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL
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SOLE AGENTS IN
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LTD., LONDON,

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Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.

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The Old

Familiar Beverage
STONE GINGER BEER,
YCLEPT "POP."



\$1.75 per doz., less \$1.00 allowed
Bottles returned.

WATKINS, LIMITED,
CHEMISTS, AERATED WATER
MANUFACTURERS,
APOTHECARIES HALL,
No. 68, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.
FACTORY—Mason's Lane.
WAI KIN TAI YEUK FONG.

威樂大威

Branches also at
Canton, Shanghai, Hankow and Peking.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1902. [74c]

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FOUNDED in 1861, by DR. CANTLIE,
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\$1.40 Per Month.

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CAPTAIN SPENCER,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer,
Ordnance Office.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1901. [1413c]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

\$5.50 ²/₃ Cask of 375 lbs. Net ex Factory.
\$3.50 ²/₃ Bag of 250 lbs.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1902. [19]

WILLIAM MACLEOD, D.D.S., DENTIST.

Beaconsfield Arcade, Nos. 11 and 12,
2nd Floor. [77d]

MUST CLEAR.

WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO STATE

that our

WE ARE MAKING SOLELY WITH THE WATER PRO-

CURED FROM THE GOVERNMENT TETAM

RESERVOIR AND SPECIALLY FILTERED IN OUR

LARGE STORAGE FILTERS ON THE BEST

SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES.

OUR AERATED WATERS ARE THUS ABSO-

LUTELY PURE AND CONSUMERS OF THEM

MAINTAIN THEMSELF QUITE SECURE

AGAINST CONTRACTING CHOLERA BY LIQUID

AGENCY, WHICH IT IS COMPARATIVELY

EASY TO DO BY DRINKING IMPURE WATER.

BEAUTIFUL SILKS UNDER COST.

EVERYTHING THROUGHOUT THE STORE REDUCED FOR
10 DAYS ONLY.

R. G. HECKFORD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1902.

BANJOS

STEWART AND BAUER'S
"20th Century" and "Thoroughbred"
also

"WASHBURNS."

MANDOLINES, GUITARS,
STRINGS, FITTINGS, REPAIRS.

THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LIMITED,
Hongkong, Shanghai & Singapore.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1902.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

TO-NIGHT LAST NIGHT

of
HARRY COGILL AND JACK SUTTON'S
ENTERTAINERS.

TO-NIGHT LAST NIGHT!

THE GREAT SUCCESS! The Amusing
Musical Comedy in Three Acts by
CHAS. HOYT entitled.

"A STRANGER IN NEW YORK."

With New Music, Songs, Dances and Splendid
Cast throughout.

TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY), MARCH 15TH,

GRAND SPECIAL BILL.

REMEMBER TO-NIGHT, LAST NIGHT.

PRICES \$3, \$2, & \$1.

Box Plans now open at THE ROBINSON
PIANO CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1902. [209]

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

MR. HENRY DALLAS' MUSICAL
AND DRAMATIC CLUB.

GRAND OPENING NIGHT.

MONDAY,

March 17th.

The latest Musical Comedy now drawing
crowded houses at the GAETY THEATRE,
London.

THE TOREADOR.

The following pieces will be played during
the first week of the season.

MONDAY, Mar. 17, THE TOREADOR.

TUESDAY, " 18, H.M.S. Irresponsible

WEDNESDAY, " 19, "

THURSDAY, " 20, THE GEISHA.

FRIDAY, " 21, "

PLAN AT THE ROBINSON PIANO CO.

PRICES AS USUAL.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1902. [308]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

STRaits, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, ADEN,
EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,

PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading, issued for BATAVIA,
CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"ORIENTAL."

Captain F. N. Tillard, carrying His Majesty's
Mail, will be despatched from this port for
MARSEILLES and LONDON (DIRECT).

on SATURDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon,
taking Passengers and the cargo for the above
ports.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and
value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

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HONGKONG JOKEY CLUB.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFINS.

It is surprising to find there are such a few members of the Hongkong Jockey Club interested in the ordering of subscription griffins for next year's races. A meeting was held in the Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, at noon to-day for the purpose of considering the question and only about half a dozen members put in an appearance. Mr. G. C. C. Master presided and others present were Messrs. H. P. White, T. S. Forrest, Meier, Holuku and T. F. Hough (Clerk of the Course). After a very short discussion Mr. Master proposed, and Mr. White seconded, that as Mr. Hough was shortly visiting Australia he be asked to telegraph his recommendation and cost to subscribers at as early a date as convenient.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE NEW BUILDING ORDINANCE.

We are informed that in deference to the views of the Unofficial Members and in order to allow those interested in the new Building Ordinance time to acquaint themselves with it, it has been decided to postpone the consideration of the Bill for a month.

There will be no meeting of the Legislative Council on Monday next.

COGILL AND SUTTON'S ENTER-TAINNESS.

A stranger in New York was performed again last night at the Theatre Royal to a crowded house. The piece will be repeated to-night and will be interspersed with fresh novelties, singing and dancing. We would mind our readers that to-night is the last appearance of this talented Company in the Colony.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE EDUCATION QUESTION.

To the EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH".
DEAR SIR,—Your correspondent "Fairplay" is nothing if not amusing. His letter in last night's issue of your paper certainly shows that he is more capable of play than reason, for he seems to have utterly lost the point of the discussion and to have failed to discriminate between the sides taken by the various parties to the discussion. Is it that he had been "fooling" at the wicket or was he "muddled" by keeping goal? At all events, as he is so prolific with his proverbs, may I remind him that "none are so blind as those who won't see."

Truly yours, JUSTICE.

To the EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH".
SIR.—I cannot alter my decision that "Fairplay" is not strictly correct in calling the proposed English school for upper class Chinese a *quid pro quo* for the Kowloon European School. Dr. Ho Kai & Co.'s sole aim is to draw a line between rich and poor. It is clear enough, and in support of my statement I need only point to the correspondence published in the Government Gazette.

"Fairplay" is also mistaken in referring to me as a partisan of Dr. Ho Kai. I have no connection with his "firm." I am not a bit afraid of their demand being hunted down and negatived. On the contrary, this is just what, in common with an overwhelming majority of Chinese, wish to be done, and if "Fairplay" succeeds in bringing this about, he would earn the gratitude of,

Yours faithfully,

PERLE ET CIE.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1902.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

J. HASTINGS CUP.

Sunday, March 15.

Course—Round Mahwan Island (Capsicum) to starboard—16 miles.

Start—11 a.m.

Time limit—6.30 p.m.

HANDICAP.

| Alannah | Scratchallow. |
|-------------|---------------|
| Colleen | 4 mins. |
| Erica | |
| Kathleen | |
| Mia | 6 " |
| Iris | 8.40 " |
| Maid Marian | |
| Chanticleer | 11.20 " |
| Gloria | |
| Meteor | 12.40 " |
| Doreen | |
| Payne | 18.00 " |
| Gazelle | 27.00 " |

THE CHOLERA IN GANTON.

Late yesterday afternoon a telegram was received from Canton to the effect that Mr. Fritz A. Brockelmann of the firm of Messrs. Reuter Brockelmann had succumbed to an attack of cholera. The deceased was a very popular man, and had only returned to Canton from Hongkong on 13th instant.

We are also informed that two mandarins, one an ex-pendant Taotai, and the other a high Military official have died, from the fatal disease, not to speak of other deaths, as is evidenced by the numbers of coffins daily passing through the city gates.

GREAT FIRE IN FOOGHOW.

From native sources we learn that a serious conflagration took place at Namiao on the 13th instant, when over two hundred houses were destroyed, including numerous tea-mills and silk factories. The damage is estimated at \$70,000.

COTTAM & CO. DENTS DRIVING GLOVES.

CORONATION OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING.

We are courteously informed by the Colonial Secretary that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has received an intimation by telegraph from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies that instructions regarding the Coronation of His Majesty the King will be forwarded in due course.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their weekly share report state—

HONGKONG, Friday, 14th March.

A fair general business has been transacted during the week, but at prices which in most cases have ruled lower. No great demand has prevailed for any particular stock, and the market at the close offers no encouragement.

The China and Manilla Steamship Company, Limited, has advertised its Nineteenth Ordinary General Meeting for the 22nd March. The tranship books will be closed from the 18th to 22nd instant, both days inclusive.

Banks—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have been fixed in small lots at \$590 and \$592. There is no alteration in the London quotation, which keeps steady at £63. Nationals have improved, and sales at \$268 have been effected.

Marine Insurances—Unions have continued to advance, and \$375 has been paid for shares, the market closing with further buyers at the rate. China Traders are unchanged. Cantons have been booked at \$160, and Yangtzees are firm at \$134.

Fire Insurances—There has been nothing doing in either stock. Hongkong Fires have dropped to \$355, and China Fires are offering at \$38.

Shipping—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been the medium of a fair business at \$38. Indo Chinas have changed hands at \$138, and are now enquired for at \$138. Douglas Steamships have again been done at \$41. China and Manilas have suffered a serious decline, and we hear shares are on offer at \$35. Star Ferries have been purchased at \$24.10 and \$24 for the old and new shares respectively, closing with further sellers at the rates. Taku Tugs have risen to Tls. 190, upon which figure sales are reported. The Company announces a dividend of 127 per cent. for 1901 and 45 per cent. for 1902.

Refineries—China Sugars have weakened, and are procurable at \$135. We hear that the Company has decided to pay a final dividend of 57 per cent., making \$12 for 1901. Luxons have fallen to \$30 sellers.

Mining—Punjoms are quiet at \$4. Raubs have enquiries at \$9, but no shares appear to be obtainable. All other stocks under this heading are dull.

Docks—Wharfs and Godowns—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have again been placed at \$624. Kowloon Wharfs have further declined, and can be purchased at \$92. Farnhams have also receded, and are to be had at Tls. 260. Hongkong Wharfs have been imported from the North at Tls. 300 cum new issue.

Lands, Hotels and Building—Hongkong Lands have been negotiated to some extent at \$177, and are now obtainable at \$176. West Points are on offer at \$59. Kowloon Lands have been disposed of at \$304, and more shares are procurable at this price. Hongkong Hotels have changed owners at \$132 and \$134 ex the final dividend of \$6 paid on the 12th instant, and close with further sellers at the higher rate. A small lot of Oriente Hotels has been parted with at the reduced rate of \$40. Humphreys' Estate have found buyers at \$124 and \$125. China Providents have been sold at \$94 and \$9.30, more are obtainable at the latter figure.

Cotton Mills—Hongkong Cottons have been dealt in at \$14, and have further enquiries.

Cigar Companies—Remainder neglected. Miscellaneous—Green Island Cements are quiet at \$121. A. S. Watsons are in the market at \$15. Watkins are down to \$74, at which price shares are offering. Electrics are unchanged at quotations. Ices have been bought at \$217 and \$220, at which latter rate shares are in request. Langkats have improved their position, and have buyers at Tls. 335.

WHOLESALE DECAPITATION OF PRISONERS AND ROBBERS IN GANTON.

The official returns from the Canton prisons show that for the year ending 30th January (Chinese Calendar) no less than 9,000 prisoners and robbers were decapitated. The heaviest return was registered for the last two months of the closing year, when no less than 4,400 prisoners were either publicly executed or secretly done away with.

WEI-HAI-WEI.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

WEI-HAI-WEI, 28th February.

SOME IMPORTANT TELEGRAMS

have come to hand within the last few days, big with fate for Wei-hai-wei. First was a brief message the effect of which will be put a period to the existence of the 1st Chinese Regiment as a military force. Then arrived the news that the future standing of Wei-hai-wei as a naval station was solemnly defined in the Mother of Parliaments. Finally came a telegram to which all the nations listened—with pleasure, interest, or dismay; it was the announcement of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance. For the first we were not unprepared; the second was more or less expected; the third we had dreamt of, and were agreeably surprised to find.

OUR DREAM WAS TRUE.

Which of the three most nearly concerns the future prospects of Wei-hai-wei, it is hard to say. Let us consider them in detail:

An official communication was received here, a day or two after Reuter's telegram, to the

effect that there was no intention of "disbanding" the Chinese Regiment, but that it was to be gradually reduced in strength. The simultaneous dismissal of more than

A THOUSAND MEN,

suddenly released from the restraints of discipline, would be for several reasons a grave mistake. The mistake is not going to be made.

To what extent the reduction in numbers is to be carried does not yet appear—half a battalion, say some, 300 say others; but the only official orders that have come to hand are that time-expired men are not to be re-enlisted, and that recruiting is to be stopped. At this rate it will take three years to "disband" the regiment.

The "local police force" referred to in Reuter's telegram will probably turn out to be identical with the Chinese Regiment reduced, but on this point, I am informed by the Acting Commissioner Major Cowan, R.E., no official instructions have been received.

The territory, be it remembered, embraces an area of nearly 300 square miles! the "sphere of influence" in which Great Britain has certain rights, is very much more extensive; the population of the one is estimated at 80,000, of the other 900,000; so that the expression "local police force" is very likely to prove an elastic one.

The upshot of the whole affair apparently is this: the Chinese Regiment was an experiment, and the British Government has found it a costly one; a police force will be less expensive, less pretentious but possibly, for the purpose in hand, as efficient; therefore, said the powers that be, we will reduce the Chinese Regiment;

and call it a local police force. I suppose, after the ruinous expenditure over the South African War, we must not be surprised to see a little cheese-paring.

The telegram which concerned the naval destinies of Wei-hai-wei, came as a blow to no one here. The order, now nearly a year old, to cease work on the fortifications was a clear indication that nothing extensive in that line was under contemplation. Wei-hai-wei is capable of fortification only at great expense.

For this we have mainly to thank the wide eastern entrance, which nothing but

A COLOSSAL BREAKWATER

would render proof against torpedo-boat attack—for a power utilizing the bay as a harbour of refuge, or acting on the defensive. But, said Mr. Goschen, speaking in the House of Commons three years ago, "Wei-hai-wei is to be fortified so far as will put it into a position to enable it to defend itself, but not to that point which will make it a rallying place at which ships may take refuge.... The fortifications will be of a comparatively simple kind."

Many of the highest authorities hold that extensive land fortifications are uncalled for in the case of a Power enjoying the undisputed naval supremacy which to-day is England's. A fleet which

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By Order, G. A. WOODCOCK,
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Hongkong, 11th March, 1902. [307d]

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St. John's Cathedral:—Communion, 7 a.m., Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m.
Roman Catholic Cathedral:—Mass at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 p.m.
German Bethesda Chapel, West Point:—Morning Service, 11 a.m.
St. Francis' Church, Wan Chai:—Mass (*Chin.*) 6 a.m., (*Port.*) 7.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 p.m.
St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road:—Morning Service (*English*), 9 a.m.
St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point:—Mass, 8 a.m.
Wesleyan Methodist Church:—Services, 10.30 a.m., and 5.45 p.m.
Union Church:—Services, 11 a.m., and 6 p.m.

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| SUNDAY, | Acts 1:12 | 11 a.m. |
| | Gospel Address | 6 p.m. |
| TUESDAY, | Soldiers & Sailors Bible Class. | 6 p.m. |
| THURSDAY, | General Bible Class | 6 p.m. |
| SATURDAY, | Prayer Meeting | 6 p.m. |
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TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

| | On date at 10 a.m. | On date at 4 p.m. |
|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Barometer | 30.05 | 29.95 |
| Temperature | 71 | 71 |
| Humidity | 78 | 81 |
| Rainfall | — | — |

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

American (*Doris*) to-morrow.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 17th inst.
German (*Kiautschou*) 18th inst.
German (*Stuttgart*) 21st inst.
American (*Nippon Maru*) 25th inst.
American (*Peru*) 2nd prox.

The N. P. S. Co.'s steamer *Glenogle* from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 13th inst.

The D. & Co.'s steamer *Maristow* from New York and Straits left Manila to-day, and is expected to arrive on Sunday the 16th inst.

The N. Y. K. Co.'s steamer *Hiroshima Maru* (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 14th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 21st inst.

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SHIPPING GAZETTE.

In future the Telegraph shipping form supplied to Captains of vessels will contain a heading for notices of officers and engineers transferred or on leave, etc. Friends will much oblige by giving this information:—

January 11th.

Mr. Hutchison, second officer of the s.s. *Whampoa*, has been appointed chief officer of the s.s. *Ningpo*.

Mr. Robert Watson has been appointed second officer of the s.s. *Whampoa* vice Mr. Hutchison, promoted.

February 12th.

The officers of the s.s. *Ten Shing* are:—Capt. W. O. Young, chief officer G. J. L. Netherton, and officer J. C. Daily, chief engineer J. Gillies, 2nd engineer J. Davidson, 3rd engineer W. Elder.

February 26th.

The officers of the s.s. *Tacoma* are:—M. Ridley, chief officer gone on leave A. E. Hargreaves, chief officer transferred from s.s. *Victoria* A. B. Shiels, 2nd ast. engineer gone on leave Wm. Morck, 2nd ast. engineer.

March 4th.

The officers of the s.s. *Hang Sang* are:—Chief officer Mr. T. Aurther, and officer Mr. H. E. Gilroy, 3rd officer Mr. C. A. Robertson, chief engineer Mr. Tom Kerr, and engineer Mr. S. Baker, 3rd engineer Mr. Sutton, 4th engineer Mr. Wilson.

March 8th.

The officers of the s.s. *Catherine Apcar* are:—Mr. R. Wilson, Third 3rd officer promoted and 2nd officer in place of Mr. R. E. Toms, 2nd officer resigned and Mr. H. Campbell engaged as 3rd officer.

March 10th.

The officers of the s.s. *Kueijang* are:—Chief officer E. L. Monkman, and officer W. J. Bright, chief engineer Mr. Ellis, 2nd engineer Mr. Hall, 3rd engineer E. J. Evans.

The officers of the s.s. *Candia* are:—J. D. Andrews, R.N.R., chief officer J. Gau, 2nd officer M. Taylor, 3rd officer G. Rundell, 4th officer P. M. Black, 5th officer G. Byron, chief engineer Jno Whittley, and engineer R. Whitaker, 3rd engineer W. Watkins, 4th engineer E. Wott, Asst. Jno Anderson, T. Logan, T. Abbot, F. Pitt Gerald.

March 13th.

Capt. W. H. Lunt, formerly commander of the same Company's steamer *Fusfun*, had been transferred to s.s. *Mesfon*.

March 14th.

Mr. F. M. Roxby, 3rd officer of s.s. *Bombar* has been transferred to s.s. *Arabia*, and Mr. A. Riddick is at present 3rd officer.

The officers of the s.s. *Nestor* are:—Chief officer H. J. Barnes, 2nd officer S. Pollard, and engineer M. R. Bennett.

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Brabazon, Ralph A. Lyne, Mrs.
Brayne, H. F. R. Marchedelli, Mrs. and
Brown, R.E., Col. L. F. Miss.
Bryant, G. H. Martin, R.
Cartwright, Miss May, A. J.
Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. McDermott, A. P.
Mrs. A. Miller, Mr. and Mrs.
Connell, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Robert.
J. L. O. Osborne, R. A., Major.
Coppin, A. G. Perfect, G. Grosvenor.
Dann, Mr. and Mrs. G. Pitt, R. M., Mr. John.
Davies, W. Ross, Alexander.
Drayson, Mr. & Mrs. Runsey, R. N., Hon.
Ducker, Miss Sawyer, Mrs.
Ducker, Miss Scott, R. N., Capt.
Dunker, Miss M. Percy and Capt.
Edmonton, E. B. child.
Ezekiel, J. S. Sherbrooke, R. N., Lt.
Col. and Mrs. Sinclair, A.
Forbes, Andrew Spalke, H. W. C.
Grimble, Geo. Stokes, A. G.
Hamilton, Major Terrell, Mr. and Mrs.
Hewett, A.P.D., Capt. H. D. C.
Hohe, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. D.
Thomson, J. S.
Houten, J. von Wheeler, W. H.
Hughes, R.A.M.C., Lt. Col. Wise, Hon. and Mrs.
James, R. A., Major and A. G. and child.
Jeffries, H. N. Wright, Dr. and Mrs.
Law, D. R. Bateson.

CRAGIEBURN.

Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Prynne, Capt. and Mrs.
H. Matheson Simpson, Capt. & Mrs.
George, Mr. and Mrs. C. Surplice, Mr. and Mrs.
Grant, G. C. L. F. R. C.
Helms, W. Whitty, R.A.M.C., Major.
Ough, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. J. Whitty, Mrs. M. J.
H. H. Whitty, Mrs. M. J. Whitlow, Mr. & Mrs. A.
Pevar, Miss A. H. Pevar, Miss F. C.

VISITORS AT THE KOWLOON HOTEL.

Anderson, W. (Impl. Crockett, Mrs.
M. Customs). Crockett, Miss.
Anderson, Capt. and James, Mr. and Mrs.
Mrs. (T.R.E.). B.
Barrett, Lieut. Jensen, Fr.
Bowen, Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Nilson, Capt. O. J.
Campbell, Capt. G. D. Niven, T.
(H.R.)

THE SHARE MARKET.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

(MARCH 15th.)

| STOCKS. | PAID UP VALUE. | LATEST QUOTATION. |
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| Banks. | | |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation | \$ 125 | \$590 sellers |
| The Bank of China and Japan, Limited—(Preference) | \$ 5 | nominal |
| The Bank of China and Japan, Limited—(Ordinary) | \$ 4 | \$10.15 |
| The Bank of China and Japan, Limited—(Deferred) | \$ 1 | nominal |
| National Bank of China, Limited | \$ 8 | \$26 buyers |
| Founders | \$ 1 | \$10 |
| Marine Insurances. | | |
| Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited | \$ 50 | \$375 sales & buyers |
| China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited | \$ 25 | \$35 sellers |
| North China Insurance Company, Limited | \$ 25 | Taels 190 buyers |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited | \$ 60 | \$134 buyers |
| Canton Insurance Office, Limited | \$ 50 | \$160 sales & buyers |
| Fire Insurances. | | |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited | \$ 50 | \$355 sellers |
| China Fire Insurance Company, Limited | \$ 20 | \$53 sellers |
| Shipping. | | |
| Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited | \$ 15 | \$38 buyers |
| Indo-China Steam | | |

Post Office.

A Mail will close:
For Canton—Per Powan, to-morrow, the 16th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Nagasaki and Vladivostock—Per Kowloon, to-morrow, the 16th inst., at 9 A.M.
For Chefoo and Newchwang—Per Byodo, to-morrow, the 16th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Canton—Per Queen's road, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 7.30 A.M.
For Palkhol and Haiphong—Per Hanon, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 11 A.M.
For Macao—Per Queen's road, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Kunming and Samsui—Per Tung-kong, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 3 P.M.
For Shuangtai—Per Kuan, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow—Per Hainan, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Canton—Per Fuchan, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Singapore—Per Bombay, on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 10 A.M.
For Shuangtai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco—Per China, on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 11 A.M.
For Singapore, Sourabaya, and Samarang—Per Hinsang, on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 2 P.M.
For Shanghai—Per Changchow, on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Swatow, Amoy and Ningpo—Per Maiduru Maru, on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Kautschau, on Wednesday, the 19th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Macao, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Australia, on Thursday, the 20th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Ningpo, and Shanghai—Per Kiukiang, on Friday, the 21st instant, at 4 P.M.
For Shanghai—Per Shensi, on Monday, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Oceanian, on Thursday, the 27th instant, at 11 A.M.
For Shanghai—Per H'ampoz, on Thursday, the 27th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane and Sydney—Per Taiyuan, on Saturday, the 29th instant, at 11 A.M.

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Bartling, W. Patrick, A. N.
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E. and child. —Robinet, Mrs. John D.
Fair, A. —Simson, K.N., Lt. and
Hubbe, F. Mrs. Spicer.
Jacob, Mrs. & child. —Stanbury, R.N., Lieut.
Lewin, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. and child.
Mrs. —Weisheit, Mr. and Mrs.
Mock, Mr. —Nobbs, A. P.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 15th March.
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1/6
Bank Bills, on demand 1/9 7/16
" " Credits, 4 months' sight 1/9 13/16
" " D'ments, 4 months' sight 1/9 15/16
ON BERLIN, (demand) M. 1.82
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand 2.24
" " Credits, 4 months' sight 2.28
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 4.41
" " Credits, 30 days' sight 4.41
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 1.33
" " On demand 1.33
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 7.34
Private, 30 days' sight non.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 1.34 % prem.
Sovereigns, Bank's U.S. on Rate \$1.16
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael 57.70
Bar Silver 24.72
Dollars nom.

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 15th March.
To-day's quotations are as follows:—
Per chest.
BENGAL—New Patna @ 907 1/2
Old Patna @ 920
New Benares @ 915
Old Benares @ 920 nom.
Per picul.
MALWA—New @ 910
Last year's @ 940/70
2/3 years' old @ 920/30
3/4 years' old @ 930/40
Putrefore Y. @ 910
PERSIAN—Superior @ 600

RIVER STEAMERS, SCHOONERS,
AND LORCHAS.

Fatshan, British steamer, 1,425, Lassius—
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat
Co.
Hon-nam, British steamer, 1,377, H. D. Jones—
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat
Co.
Powan, British steamer, 1,187, A. N. Patrick—
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat
Co.
Hawke, British steamer, 2,152, C. V. Lloyd—
Butterfield & Swire.
Hot-tong, Chinese steamer, 409 tons, Captain
—Chi Wo & Co.
Tal-on, British steamer, 728, J. Lawrence—
On Steamship Co.
Pak Kong, British steamer, —Kwong Wan S.S.
Co.
Kong Nam, British steamer, T. Austin, R. N. K.,
—Chinese Owned.

Hongkong and Macao.
Hengshan, British steamer, 1,055, W. E.
Clarke—Hongkong, Canton and Macao
Steamboat Co.

Canton and West River.
Nanning, British steamer, R. D. Thomas—
Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat
Co.

Safnam, British steamer, W. Dixon—
Hongkong, Canton and West River Steamboat
Co.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.
ANDALUSIA, German steamer, 5,442, Duiven,
14th Mar.—Moj 8th March, Coal—
Carlott & Co.
ARAB, British steamer, 2,678, Wile, 8th Mar.,
—San Francisco 2nd Jan., Flour, Dried
Wheat & Co.

BAIKAL, Russian steamer, 717, Kushkin, 13th
Jan.—Moj 9th Jan., Ballast—Order.
BJORN, Norwegian steamer, 1,050, Christens-
en 11th Mar.—Barry 18th Jan., Coal—Order.
BOMHAY, British steamer, 3,119, H. S. Brad-
shaw 14th Mar.—Shanghai 11th March,
General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
BRAND, Norwegian steamer, 1,510, John
Thronsen, 15th Feb.—Singapore 29th
Jan., Timber—Dodd & Co. Ltd.
BYODO, Norwegian steamer, 771, Th. Carlsen,
9th Mar.—Haiphong and Hoioh 8th Mar.,
General—Sander, Wieler & Co.
CHINA, American steamer, 3,187, D. E. Freie,
9th Mar.—San Francisco 7th Feb., and
Shanghai 7th Mar., Mails and General—
P. M. S. S. Co.

DAIJIN MARU, Japanese steamer, 890, T.
Ogata, 12th Mar.—Tamsui 9th Mar.,
General—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Singapore.
DEUTERUS, German steamer, 1,001, F. Fahn,
12th Mar.—Sourabaya 1st Mar., Sugar—
Siemens & Co.

DORIS, Norwegian steamer, 965, K. Jacobsen,
14th Mar.—Saigon 9th Mar., Rice—Nam
Wo.

FREIBURG, German steamer, 3,884, F. Preisch,
12th Mar.—Singapore 6th Mar., General—
Siemens & Co.

HAILLAN, French steamer, 377, L. Andersen,
4th Mar.—Hoioh 2nd Mar., General and
Pigs—A. R. Mary.

HANSIANG, British steamer, 1,202, Lorenzen, 28th
Feb.—Saigon 23rd Feb., Rice flour—
Sander, Wieler & Co.

JACOB DIEDERICHSSEN, German steamer, 623,
G. Schlaikier, 8th Mar.—Clelebre 28th
Feb., Wood—Jebens & Co.

KANSU, British steamer, 1,182, Baddeley, 14th
Mar.—Swatow 13th Mar., Ballast—Order.

KATY, Austrian steamer, 1,360, A. Vidovich,
26th Feb.—Moj 20th Feb., Coal—Sander,
Wieler & Co.

KOTO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,150 K. Sakai,
7th Mar.—Tamsui 5th Mar., Coal—Order.

MADELINE RICKMERS, German steamer, 1,600,
C. Henricksen, 8th Mar.—Saigon
5th Mar., Rice and General—Arnhold,
Karberg & Co.

MARA KOLN, German steamer, 2,760, G. Kraeft,
11th Mar.—Moj 5th Mar., Coal—Jeffries
& Co.

MEXICAN PRINCE, British steamer, 1,952, W.
Penrice, 14th Mar.—Singapore 4th Mar.,
Petroleum—Meyer & Co.

MUNSHAN, British steamer, 1,299, G. E. More-
house, 11th Mar.—Bangkok and Koh-si-
chang 6th Mar., Rice and Teakwood—
Bradley & Co.

ORD, British steamer, 1,209, W. Smith, 5th
Feb.—Singapore 26th Jan., General—
Dodwell & Co. Ltd.

SAINHE RICKMERS, British steamer, 690, J. R.
Naeset, R.R.N., 14th Mar.—Amoy 12th
Mar., Ballast—Arnhold; Karberg & Co.

THEA, German steamer, 856, Olerich, 13th
Mar.—Haiphong 5th Mar., and Hoioh
11th, General—Jebens & Co.

TRITOS, German steamer, 1,050, H. Clausen,
11th Feb.—Saigon 6th Feb., Rice and
Rice-meal—Kong Fat.

TSINTAU, German steamer, 1,004, Reher, 12th
Mar.—Bangkok and Koh-si-chang 5th
Mar., Rice—Butterfield & Co.

Miscellaneous.

Aspern, Austrian gunboat, 970 tons, Captain
Heinrich, Singapore.

Holland, Dutch cruiser, 8 guns, 3,000 tons,
9,250 i.h.p., Capt. S. N. Sybrandy, Swatow.

Koning Willemina der Nederlanden, Dutch
cruiser, 8 guns, 4,600 tons, 5,900 i.h.p.,
Capt. J. P. Kossmann, Swatow.

Whiting, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer,
60 tons, 6 guns, 3,000 i.h.p., in reserve.

Wivern, coast defence ship, 2,750 tons, 4 guns,
8,000 i.h.p., in reserve, Hongkong.

Woodcock, river-gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550
i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Watson, Kiukiang.

Woodlark, river-gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550
i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. H. E. Hillman,
Yangtsze.

Torpedo-boats in Reserve Nos. 8, 35, 36, 37
and 38, first-class; and 3 second-class boats.

Sailing Vessels.

DECCAR, British ship, 1,635, A. C. Barrett, 7th
Mar.—Mauritius 15th November, Coal—
Master.

EVIE G. RAY, American bark, 919, Kasten, 13th
March—Ruijan 18th Dec., Timber—
Sander, Wieler & Co.

MERZOK JOHANN ALBRECHT, German
schooner, 1,051, Andersen, 10th October—
Manila 6th Oct., General—Master.

LEICESTER CASTLE, British ship, 2,009, R. D.
Peattie, 4th Mar.—New York 31st Dec.,
Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.

LOTHAIR, Italian bark, 678, Borizo, 24th Jan.,
Callao 10th Nov., Sugar—Carlowitz &
Co.

BOBE, Russian gun-vessel, twin screw, 950 tons,
13 guns, 1,150 i.h.p., Captain Dobrovolsky,
at Taku.

Dimitri Donskoy, Russian armoured cruiser,
6,000 tons, twin screw, 36 guns, 7,000 i.h.p.,
Comdr. Sharov, Singapore.

Galdanak, Russian gunboat, 400 tons, twin
screw, 18 guns, 3,500 i.h.p., Capt. Serebren-
nikoff, at Taku.

Gremiachny, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,492
tons, twin screw 12 guns, 2,000 i.h.p., Capt.
Miklashevsky, at Shanghai.

Koretsy, Russian cruiser, 1,200 tons, 9 guns,
2,150 i.h.p., Capt. S. E. Easkeine, Hong-
kong.

Albion, 1st-class battleship, 12,000 tons, 13,500
i.h.p., 16 guns, Capt. W. W. Hewett,
Hongkong.

Alceste, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,000 i.h.p.,
Comdr. W. Carey, Newchwang.

Arelusa, 2nd-class cruiser, 4,300 tons, 10 guns,
5,000 i.h.p., Capt. J. Starin, Shanghai.

Argonaut, 1st-class cruiser, 1,000 tons, 16,500
i.h.p., 16 guns, Capt. G. H. Cherry, F.N.,
Wei-hai-wei.

Astraea, 2nd-class cruiser, 4,400 tons, 7,000
i.h.p., 10 guns, Capt. C. J. Baker, Hong-
kong.

Aurore, 1st-class cruiser, 5,600 tons, 8,500 i.h.p.,
12 guns, Capt. E. H. Bayly, C.M.G., en route
Home.

Blenheim, 1st-class cruiser, 9,000 tons, 12 guns,
21,411 i.h.p., Capt. F. H. Henderson, C.M.G.,
Amoy.

Bramble, 1st-class gunboat, 710 tons, 4,100
i.h.p., 6 guns, Lieut. and Comdr. F. M.
Leake, Hongkong.

Briton, 3rd-class cruiser, 1,700 tons, 6 guns,
1,500 i.h.p., Capt. Haupt, at Port Arthur.

Briz, 3rd-class cruiser, 1,700 tons, 6 guns,
1,500 i.h.p., Capt. Meleusky, at
Nagasaki.

Sister Velthy, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons,
12 guns, 1,500 i.h.p., Capt. Tarassoff, at
Manila.

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12 guns, 1,500 i.h.p., Capt. Tarassoff, at
Manila.

Stout, Russian gunboat, 950 tons, 12 guns, 1,500
i.h.p., Capt. S. V. Very, at Shanghai.

Ulysse, 1st-class gunboat, 800 tons, 8 guns, 700
i.h.p., Capt. D. du Fournet, Tonkin.

Desدار, 2nd class protected cruiser, 4,000
tons, 36 guns 63 i.h.p., Capt. L. de Saune,
at Saigon.

Pascal, 2nd-class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons,
36 guns, 6,000 i.h.p., Capt. Espinay St.
Luc, at Saigon.

Conete, gunboat, 600 tons, Capt. Louel, at
Canton.

Deceder, gunboat, 600 tons, Capt. Leemee, at
Canton.

Suribis, gunboat, 700 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 i.h.p.,
Capt. Matsuura, at Fochow.

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Capt. Matsuura, at Fochow.

Suribis, gunboat, 700 tons, 1